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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL EXPEDITED PROCEDURE **EXAMINING GROUP 1639**

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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is a response to the Final Office Action mailed May 18, 2006 in which pending claims 102-131 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §§101 and 112, first paragraph. This response is timely filed with a petition and fee for three-months extension of time and a notice of appeal.

Please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.